

# Baptist Tabernacle Church

## July 2021 Newsletter

### Our Memory Verse for July is:

Beloved, if God so loved us, we ought also to love one another. 1 John 4:11 KJV

### July 2021 Bible Readings

Day 1	2 Chronicles 7-9	Day 17	Nehemiah 4-6
Day 2	2 Chronicles 10-12	Day 18	Nehemiah 7-9
Day 3	2 Chronicles 13-15	Day 19	Nehemiah 10-13
Day 4	2 Chronicles 16-18	Day 20	Esther 1-3
Day 5	2 Chronicles 19-21	Day 21	Esther 4-6
Day 6	2 Chronicles 22-24	Day 22	Esther 7-10
Day 7	2 Chronicles 25-27	Day 23	Job 1-4
Day 8	2 Chronicles 28-30	Day 24	Job 5-8
Day 9	2 Chronicles 31-33	Day 25	Job 9-12
Day 10	2 Chronicles 34-36	Day 26	Job 13-16
Day 11	1 Thessalonians 1-5	Day 27	Job 17-21
Day 12	2 Thessalonians 1-3	Day 28	Job 22-26
Day 13	Ezra 1-3	Day 29	Job 27-30
Day 14	Ezra 4-6	Day 30	Job 31-34
Day 15	Ezra 7-10	Day 31	Job 35-38
Day 16	Nehemiah 1-3		

# SAVE THE DATE

Daily: Pastor Glen's Devotions on BTC Facebook page

Sunday Mornings: Sunday School @10:00 am-10:45 am

Sunday Morning Sermon: Sanctuary, Facebook or Parking Lot on FM 87.7 @ 11:00 am

Tuesday Morning: Prayer Time @ 10:00am in the FMC

Wednesday Morning: Mission Marketplace Open for Shopping @9:00am-12:00pm

Wednesday Night: Adult Bible Study, Youth, RA's, GA's & Mission Friends @ 6:30pm

**Contactless Communion:** Sunday, July 11th @ 11:00am Worship Service

**Levada Driver Circle Group:** Monday, July 12th @ 2:00pm in the FMC

**Leadership Team Meeting:** Monday, July 12th @ 7:00pm in the FMC

**Administrative Team Meeting:** Monday, July 19th @ 7:00pm in the FMC

**Church Conference:** Wednesday, July 21st @ 6:30pm in the Sanctuary

**Deacon's Meeting:** Monday, July 26th @ 7:00pm in the FMC

**O.W.L.S.:** Tuesday, July 27th @ 9:30am



## July Birthdays

1st	Jessica Sledge	19th	William Bell
2nd	Carol Flowers		Tracy Gilmore
	JoAnn Hocutt	21st	Jim Ellis
	Jacob Morris		James Ferrell
	Marc Scott		Kim Jeffreys
4th	Jessica McDowell	22nd	Tracey Stevens
6th	Kennette Stewart	23rd	Dustin Hale
	Mackenzie Liles		Katherine Lewis
7th	Amanda Comeau		Marie Shuman
	Bettie Anne Johnson	26th	Melanie Brock
	Sara Peebles		Lou Carroll
8th	Annalysa Batten Meyers		Charles Padgett
	Jessica Ide Walker	28th	Rhonda Green
	Mike Peoples		Jenny Butler
	Rowena Perry	29th	John Headrick
9th	Wyatt Carlyle	30th	Lauren Hodge
	Carl Holt		Kayla Rice
11th	Sarah Boykin	31st	Crystal Morgan Baker
	Reagan Sellers		Paige Andrews
12th	Phyllis Alford		Richardson
13th	Megan Hocutt		
	Alton Johnson		
14th	Addison Bell		
	Sarah O'Neal		
15th	Clayton Hargreaves		
16th	Katrine Haynes		
	Jamie Jeffreys		
17th	Sonny Trippe		
18th	Zack Scott		
	Justin Whitley		



## July Anniversaries

2nd	Horace & Betty Shirley
5th	Danny & Kathy Ayscue
7th	Billy & Rose Godwin
11th	Donnie Jr. & Diana Coley
16th	Jerry & Paige Richardson
18th	Ben & Rhonda Green
20th	H.E. & Phyllis Edwards
22nd	Grady & Bettie Anne Johnson
25th	George & Faye Creech
26th	Kenny & Melissa Worley
28th	Jimmy & Emaly Bergeron
30th	Joey & Angie Wheeler
	Scott & Kennette Stewart

## 100th Anniversary Committee



In the spring of 1921, Reverend C. H. Matthews, an evangelist, came into the Nowell-Richardson community and conducted a revival meeting under a large tent. It was during this revival that a group of Christians met and organized a church and named it Union Tabernacle, which was then non-denominational. The first service was held May of 1922. On January 12, 1936, a vote was taken of the membership, and a majority preferred to unite with the Missionary Baptist Association. This precipitated the name of the Church to be renamed Baptist Tabernacle Church. From that humble beginning, the Church has grown into what it is today.

Next year, 2022, we will celebrate our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary. The committee has been working on the celebration and activities that we will have as part of the celebration. We have decided that we will have a 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration at the Church on Sunday, May 22, 2022. The Church facilities have been reserved for that weekend for the celebration and we are looking forward to the activities. We plan on a catered lunch for that Sunday and possible other activities throughout the year. More to come as we continue to meet.

Presently, we are beginning to update the documented history of the Church. If you have any historical pictures of the Church or have any documented historical events of the Church, the committee would love to “borrow” them to update the historical documents that we have. On the back of the item, please identify the activity, and put your name, phone #, and address so we can return them to the owner. Also, several years ago a historical video was made of the Church and later updated into a CD. We are looking for a copy of the CD, so that it can be copied and updated. If anyone has any of these items, please get in touch with one of the committee members so that we can update our Church’s historical documents. The committee consists of: Vance Adkins, Connie Bechdolt, Pastor Glen Brock, Ronnie Faulkner, Lou Holland, Elaine Holmquist, Jeany O’Neal and Joan and Rick Watson.

Our current activities include interviewing some of the longest tenured members to get their historical perspectives of Baptist Tabernacle Church, so if you are contacted by one of the committee members, please feel free to share any of your historical information with them. We are also working on updating the history of the church, planning the celebration service and program, and planning other activities throughout the year. Please be in prayer for these activities and for the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Baptist Tabernacle Church.

**VBS VOULUNTEERS NEEDED:** Anyone willing to assist with VBS this summer, please contact Susan Andrews (919-418-8061) ([swarha@aol.com](mailto:swarha@aol.com)) or Tonya Bailey ([tjabailey@bellsouth.net](mailto:tjabailey@bellsouth.net)). VBS ages are 3 yrs old - 5th Grade. Youth and adults are needed as helpers and teachers.

**VBS will be Saturday, August 28th. Be on the lookout for more details to come!**





## What are our Ministry Teams up to?

### Pastoral Team (Susan Andrews-Team Leader/Wayne Batten-Co-Leader)

- Contactless communion will be held on July 11. We will also be offering a Gluten-free option upon request.
- Deacons will be writing and posting devotions on July 26-August 1 while Pastor Glen is on vacation. Please be patient with us.
- Our Deacon Ballot will be announced on August 1 with voting to be held on August 15 at a called Church Conference after the Worship Service. Please be in prayer for our nominees.

### Administrative Team (Kelly Currie-Team Leader/Ricky Watson-Co-Leader):

Well, summer is upon us and we hope that everyone is enjoying it. Please have a great and safe one!

The Administrative Team met in June with a face-to-face meeting in the FMC. The following items were addressed:

- We reviewed the information from the Leadership Team items that related to the Administrative Team.
- We reviewed the May Financial Report. In summary, the deposits continue to keep pace with the expenditures, which is good. As we continue to open the Church back to additional services, we expect the expenditures to increase, which means that the income needs to increase. Please keep this in mind when considering your tithes and offerings. There are several recurring expenses that continue to increase, so we are looking into them to see if there are alternates that we can use.
- We discussed new leaders for the Administrative Team for the upcoming year as well as adding two new members to the team. We will provide more details after the next meeting. We ask that everyone be in prayer as we continue to serve the Church with the Administrative Team responsibilities.
- Over the past year, The Administrative Team recommended several changes in the Constitution and By-Laws that were approved by the Leadership Team. Handouts of the proposed changes were placed in the Church Vestibule in late June and will be voted on in the July Church Conference, provided a quorum is in attendance.

We continue to remind everyone to watch your complacency relative to the COVID-19 virus. There have been lots of changes to the state and local rules relative to gatherings, but please be aware of the Church's current rules and guidelines and continue to follow them while you are participating in Church activities. Thanks for your continued participation.

Please wear your masks, maintain social distances, and wash your hands and encourage everyone to **get the vaccine**. The more that get the vaccine, the quicker we will be able to return to our "normal" routines!

Again, if you have any questions for the Administrative Team, please contact one of us.

### Property Management Team (Steve White-Team Leader):

Hope this finds everyone well. Nothing new to report at this time for property management. God Bless Us All!

### Discipleship Team (Bobby Sellers-Team Leader/Cynthia Hudson-Co-Leader):

Sunday School has reopened from 10:00 - 10:45 in the following locations:

#### **Children's SS Classes: Education Building**

Nursery 1: Ages birth - 2 years (1st Floor)

Nursery 2: 2 - 3 years (1st Floor)

Bible Learners: (Preschool-2nd Grade) (2nd Floor)

Bible Discoverers: (Grades 3rd-5th) (2nd Floor)

Youth: Grades 6th - 12th (2nd Floor)

#### **Adult Classes (Adults choose 1 of 2 locations to provide for Social Distancing):**

Education Building Assembly Room: Lessons from Lifeway Quarterly (max 28)

(Various Teachers from Adult Classes)

FMC: Lessons on Miscellaneous Topics (max 60)

(Various Teachers beginning with Glen Brock and a Book Study from James)

**Anyone willing to assist with temporarily teaching Sunday school for children, youth, or adults please contact Susan Andrews (919-418-8061)([swarha@aol.com](mailto:swarha@aol.com)) or Tonya Bailey ([tjabailey@bellsouth.net](mailto:tjabailey@bellsouth.net)).**



### **Mission Team (Jeany O'Neal-Team Leader/Annette Ragan-Co-Leader):**

We are still helping to meet the needs of our church members and our support our community. We will start meeting in July to plan out our Mission Marketplace activities for Nov 13, 2021. If you have any new ideas for things you would like to see changed or added to this event please let us know. You can talk to any member of the team about your ideas. Also, still open to new members as well.

Our Mission Marketplace yard sale is still open downstairs every Wednesday and the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month for now. We welcome any new donations you would like to make so please call Sonny/Sandy Trippe 919-210-6235 to set up a time for drop offs. As always, Thank You again for your support of The Mission Team in our efforts to reach people in need with assistance and GOD's blessings through our church.



### **Senior Adult Team (Olivia Cooke-Team Leader):**

#### **OWLS-Older, Wiser, Livelier, Seniors (Leaders Olivia Cooke and Patsy Narron):**



We took a trip on June 29, 2021 to the Farmer's Market. We had a good time and great fellowship. We will meet again on Tuesday, July 27th in the FMC @ 9:30am. All Seniors are welcome to join us for food, fun and games.

God Bless, Olivia Cooke and Patsy Narron

### **Children's Team (Wayne Batten-Team Leader):**

Children's Church has started back and we are so glad. We meet at 11:00 in the Auditorium Room of the Education Building. Bring your children over before you go into Church.

We will be asking for volunteers who want to assist with Children's Church. I have found a great program online that includes a Bible Study and crafts and may continue to use it. If you don't feel comfortable with your children attending, we will continue to send out lesson packages each Monday to those not in attendance.

Please continue to Pray for our Children's program and our Church as we work to get things back in our lives.

### **Youth Team (Christin Brown-Team Leader):**

The Youth and leaders had an amazing time at Camp Caswell this year!

We enjoyed wonderful Bible Study, Worship, fellowship and fun!

We look forward to sharing our experience with you on Youth Sunday which is tentatively set for Sunday, August 15!

Remember our Youth Sunday School is at 10:00am each week and Wednesday night Bible Study is at 6:30pm! We would love to have any rising 6th-12th grader youth join us!

If you are not on our email list and would like to be updated about Youth activities please text Mrs. Carrie at 919-524-6882 or email at nctwinmom08@gmail.com with your information!



## RA's & GA's Update



In May, we studied about church planters in Comerio, Puerto Rico - Jorge Santiago & Rebeca Hernandez. They are helping re-build Puerto Rico after the destruction from hurricane Marie. The people had no clean water and were washing clothes in the River. Friends and family from the US sent money to help. Jorge bought washing machines. While people washed their clothes, he witnessed to them. The RA's and GA's made musical instruments called maracas and guiros and pinata cupcakes.

In June, we studied about church planters Ryan & Kelley Day. They are planting churches in Japan. We played a game called Ninuki-Renjo and learned how to use chop sticks. Please pray for our missionaries as they spread the gospel. Also, please pray for our children as they learn about the important work our missionaries do around the world.



## Leadership Team

- New Leaders for each Ministry Team will be voted on at Church Conference, July 21. Core Team members may also be available at that time.
- In addition to the individual team reports that you see in this newsletter, the Leadership Team also is responsible for determining the pace of re-starting church activities. In order to do this, the following activities are discussed monthly at our Leadership Team meeting: masks (now optional), Worship activities: amount of singing (congregational and choir), passing offering and communion plates, closing invitation, announcements by Deacons, and additional events as requested by congregants. Please contact a member of the Leadership Team if you would like us to add an event/activity to our list for discussion.





## On Hold....

Until we can resume normal Church activities, the following Committees are on hold. We will resume these processes as soon as we can. Please be in prayer for these areas of ministry for our Church:

\*Bus/Van Committee

\*Children's Director Search Committee

## Recurring Prayer Needs

Dottie Adams	Ricky Corbett	Carl Holt	David & Annette Ragan
Dennis Adkins	Sharon Craven	Jackie & Joan Hunter	Leslie Ragan
Justin Allison	Greg & Donna Creech	Ken Hunter	Spencer Ragan
Henry Allred	Peggy Creech	Kenneth Jones	Dolores Renfrow
Anne Anderson	Lynn Crump	Abbi Kennedy	Joey Renfrow
Kathy Ayscue	Wayne Currie	Billy Knight	Bailey Rhodes
Fred Bailey	Andrew Daihl	Oscar & Shirley Lane	Mary Lou Richardson
Landon Bailey/Child	Serita Deans	Wilbert Lanier	Bert Sellers
Addie Batten	Jane Denton	Dennis Leonard	Ray Smith
Nicole Batten	Michael Dial	Martha Little	Jamie Stanley
Steven Batten	Jan Diehl	Jessika Madjar	Linda Stevens
Robert Blackley	Charles Driver	Anna Martin	Ruth Squirewell
Jacob Briggerman	David Driver	Beth McNeil	Jack Thompson
Pat Briggerman	Phyllis Edwards	Ricky Narron	Mark Watson
Annette Brock	Kaye Grissom	Joe Nash	Nancy Watson
Melanie Brock	Linda Hammet	Matthew Oxendine	June White
Carolyn Price Brown	Spencer & Cindy Hauer	Milton Parrish	Mary Lou White
Christin Brown	Brian Haynes	Jimmy Peck	Tempie Whitley
Russell & Ann Capps	Mike Himmel	Vickie Peters	Jacob Wilson
Jon Carroll	Elizabeth Hocutt	Bobby Pope	Sue Wood
Mike Ciampa	Robert Hocutt	Larry Price	
Sue Cline	Sue Hocutt	Joan Privette	

## New Prayer Needs

Natalie Bailey	Kimmy Makepeace	Unspoken Requests
Carolyn Brown	Christy Moore	
David Bullock, Sr.	Pat Pettit	
David Bullock, Jr.	Kay Richardson	
The Collier Family	Carrie Sellers	
Addison Corl	George Strickland	
George Creech	O.K. Strickland	
Judy Davis	Sandy Trippe	
Wesley Dunbar	Edna Whitley	
Floyd Farrington Family	Billy Fay Wilson	



## From the Pastor's Desk:

### Signers of the Declaration of Independence

Have you ever wondered what happened to the 56 men who signed the Declaration of Independence? Five signers were captured by the British as traitors, and tortured before they died. Twelve had their homes ransacked and burned. Two lost their sons serving in the Revolutionary Army, another had two sons captured. Nine of the 56 fought and died from wounds or hardships of the Revolutionary War. They signed, and they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor. What kind of men were they? Twenty-four were lawyers and jurists. Eleven were merchants, nine were farmers and large plantation owners, men of means, well-educated. But they signed the Declaration of Independence knowing full well that the penalty would be death if they were captured. Carter Braxton of Virginia, a wealthy planter and trader, saw his ships swept from the seas by the British Navy. He sold his home and properties to pay his debts, and died in rags. Thomas McKeam was so hounded by the British that he was forced to move his family almost constantly. He served in the Congress without pay, and his family was kept in hiding. His possessions were taken from him, and poverty was his reward. Vandals or soldiers looted the properties of Dillery, Hall, Clymer, Walton, Gwinnett, Heyward, Rutledge, and Middleton. At the battle of Yorktown, Thomas Nelson, Jr., noted that the British General Cornwallis had taken over the Nelson home for his headquarters. He quietly urged General George Washington to open fire. The home was destroyed, and Nelson died bankrupt. Francis Lewis had his home and properties destroyed. The enemy jailed his wife, and she died within a few months. John Hart was driven from his wife's bedside as she was dying. Their 13 children fled for their lives. His fields and his gristmill were laid to waste. For more than a year he lived in forests and caves, returning home to find his wife dead and his children vanished. A few weeks later he died from exhaustion and a broken heart. Norris and Livingston suffered similar fates. Such were the stories and sacrifices of the American Revolution. These were not wild-eyed, rabble-rousing ruffians. They were soft-spoken men of means and education. They had security, but they valued liberty more. Standing tall, straight, and unwavering, they pledged: "For the support of this declaration, with firm reliance on the protection of the divine providence, we mutually pledge to each other, our lives, our fortunes, and our sacred honor." They gave you and me a free and independent America. The history books never told us a lot of what happened in the Revolutionary War. Our forefathers didn't just fight the British. They were British subjects at that time, and they fought their own government! Some of us take these liberties so much for granted...and we shouldn't. So, let's take a few moments while enjoying our 4th of July holiday and silently appreciate these patriots and thank the God who moved them. It's not much to ask for the price they paid. Remember the price that God paid for our salvation...His Son, Jesus Christ! THE BEST IS YET TO BE!

Pastor Glen

